TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3554 - SB 3508

February 25, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes local animal control agencies, without a search warrant, to inspect all animals, facilities and records of any person possessing live Class I wildlife. Requires animal control agencies to file with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) written reports of any violations. Authorizes the Wildlife Resources Commission to penalize Class I permit holders for violations noted in local animal control reports. Exempts Lewis County from the provisions of this bill. Requires the Wildlife Resources Commission and the Animal Control Association to develop training guidelines for local animal control agencies.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant/Wildlife Resources Fund

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to the TWRA, there will be a not significant increase to state expenditures to develop training guidelines for local animal control agencies. TWRA currently assesses penalties for violations of the Class I and Class II wildlife permits.
- There will be a not significant increase to local government expenditures to patrol for and record violations of the Class I permit.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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